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In the Matter of the Petition

of

HARVEY W. & BEATRICE MORTIMER

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income
Taxes under Article(s) 22 of the
Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1961

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION BY (CERTIFIED) MAIL

State of New York County of Albany

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Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon Harvey W. &

Beatrice Mortimer (representative of) the petitioner in the within

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid

wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. & Mrs. Harvey W. Mortimer

109 Alexander Avenue

Montclair, New Jersey 07043

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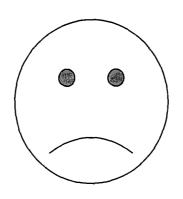
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Litigation of taxpayer and his law firm is exclusively in Federal Courts. Less than 10% of the Federal litigation is in Federal Courts located in New York. Every partner in the firm works a great deal of time outside of New York on litigation and patent prosecution. Frequent trips to the patent office in Washington, D.C. are made by all partners of the firm. It is estimated that approximately one-fourth of the firms total net income in 1961 was actually earned out of New York, about 22% of the time of all the partners of the firm is spent outside the State of New York.

- 4. Petitioners filed a New York nonresident return showing Mr. Mortimer's partnership income allocated on the basis of days worked inside and outside of New York. The deficiency notice in effect denies any allocation of income on the basis that the partnership does not maintain an office outside of New York.
- 5. There is no evidence in this case that either Mr. Mortimer of the law firm carries on business from any fixed location in another jurisdiction or that any income tax was paid to another jurisdiction.

6. The issues herein were before the Commission in an application by Mr. Mortimer under Article 16 of the Tax Law with respect to the years 1950 and 1951. That case was decided against Mr. Mortimer.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The deficiency is found to be correct and is due together with such interest as may be computed under section 684 of the Tax Law.

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